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Classified By: Timothy Forsyth for reasons 1.4 (B) and (D)

(C) Poloff delivered reftel demarche on November 23 to Emmanuelle Defoy, Attach in the United Nations (UN) Department of the Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. She said that Belgium will follow the European Union (EU) consensus by abstaining on the three resolutions creating UN organizations with an anti-Israel bias. She stated that Belgium did not want these "unbalanced" organizations. She said that Belgium abstained on the Goldstone report "to keep pressure on Israel after it announced 900 new settlements" in the same week.

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